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For

MACHINE FOR FEEDING WATERPROOF SEAL MEMBERS FOR ELECTRIC WIRES, METHOD FOR FITTING WATERPROOF SEAL

MEMBERS OVER ELECTRIC WIRES, AND APPARATUS FOR

PROCESSING ELECTRIC WIRES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

ELECTION

Sir:

This Election is submitted in response to the restriction requirement in connection with the above-identified application. The applicants hereby provisionally elect claims 13 and 14 which are drawn to a method for fitting cylindrical waterproof seal members over end portions of an electric wire.

Early and favorable action on the elected claims is solicited. The Examiner is urged to contact applicants attorney at the number below to expedite the prosecution of this application. $^{\Lambda}$

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